

## Security in old Goodwood

In light of recent discussions on the GPOA Facebook page about the formation of independent "neighborhood watch" groups, the Association wants to make it very clear that the **Private Police Patrol** is the only security group formed and sanctioned by GPOA.

ART. II (A) of our bylaws states that an objective is "to organize the property owners... with the intent of promoting the general welfare, security and prosperity of the area." After seeking good counsel the board decided that the most effective way to do that was to hire professionals, trained and equipped to deal with suspicious characters or possible criminal activity. The **Private Police Patrol** was formed, which is of course made up of Baton Rouge City Police officers.

Our policy is that, as neighbors, we should be vigilant with eyes open and aware of surroundings. If you see anything concerning/ suspicious call the Baton Rouge city Police Department at 225-389-2000. For your safety as well as your neighbors, do not take matters into your own hands. Any watch group should understand that it is eyes and ears not a muscle.

Be watchful, look out for your neighbors, alert them and report any suspicious activity to BRPD.